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"To share the unconditional love of God in Jesus Christ with all people, and to serve God by serving others"

When to Call the Pastor

Part of the ministry of being a pastor is caring for and about the people in the community of faith. There is no way I can know all the joys and sorrows, or celebrations and concerns that occur in each of your lives. So, I am asking for your help....

Please let me know about:

- * death of family members (or friends), near or far
- * illness or hospitalization
- * surgery
- * shut-ins - someone who may need a call or visit
- * birth of children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren...etc.
- * employment issues
- * family concerns
- * family successes/good news events

The list could go on, but you get the idea. I won't always visit. I won't always stay away. But, I will always keep you in my prayers. Pastoral care is part of my job; more than that, it is part of my life.

I always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in my prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. (1Thessalonians 1:2-3)

God's peace be with you,
Pastor Deanna



Are you losing sleep worrying about where local families rest their heads? "Sleepless in Skagit" is an annual, family-friendly community event and awareness campaign hosted by Family Promise of Skagit Valley.

The Sleepless in Skagit event features:

- **When:** Friday, July 24, 2026, from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM.
- **Where:** Bethlehem Lutheran Church (1006 Wicker Rd, Sedro-Woolley, WA).
- **What to expect:** Tours of the new transitional Cottage Village, family-friendly activities, a community BBQ, and a multi-chamber ribbon-cutting.

The goal of the evening is to raise funds and awareness to help local families who are experiencing housing instability. You can find out more or get involved by visiting the [Family Promise of Skagit Valley Facebook](#) page.

Be on the lookout! Bloodworks coming soon!



Join Bonnie as she leads a study on Psalms Tuesdays at 11:00 am in the library.



To my Salem Church,

Thank you so much for your generous scholarship. I truly appreciate your support and belief in me as I continue my education.

Sincerely,

Kevin Hategekimana

Fundraising For National MS Society

If you're interested in supporting this great cause just go to the website. Greg Faubion will be riding again.

<https://events.nationalmssociety.org/participants/803680?language=en&referrer=mf%3A803680%3Ayou-copy>

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